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DISEASE

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2002,
entry of the following amendments and consideration of the follow
remarks are respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

In the specification

Please replace the paragraph spanning pages 46 and 47
with the following:

--In yet another embodiment, the invention provides
methods for determining whether a subject is at risk for
developing a disease, such as a predisposition to develop IBD,
for example UC or CD, associated with an aberrant activity of any
one of the polypeptides encoded by nucleic acids shown in

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